

## Household Hazardous Materials

## What can you do with it?

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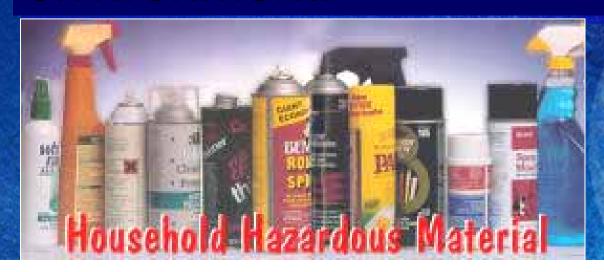
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## What's a Household Hazardous Material?

Any product that you don't what your **child** playing with.

Any product you don't want your **Pet** to get at.

Anything that you think can hurt our environment.





### Every household makes hazardous waste

Individually, your unwanted hazardous materials may seem pretty insignificant, but put it all together....picture a city of 90,000; (like Killeen) if every household contributes an average of 5 gallons of hazardous material to the solid waste stream each year, there would be over 450,000 gallons of waste each year which would convert to nearly 100 tons of hazardous waste per year.



## Step One: Read the Label



#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. SHAKE VIGOROUSLY BEFORE E-
- 2. Clean and dry surface to be spre-
- 3. Holacan about 8 to 10 inches
- 4. After each use, invert can and ... spray to clear button.

#### DANGER: FLAMMABLE KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDS

Contents under pressure. Keep a heat, sparks, and open flames adequate ventilation. Avoid contoc and prolonged or repeated contoc Do not puncture or incinerate contoc not store in direct sunlight or at teresexceeding 120° F, as container may

#### SUGGESTED FIRST AID:

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Some hazardous materials indicate proper disposal techniques on their labels.

- These warnings could include the following:
  - "Wear gloves" is a sign of corrosive or dermally toxic substances.
  - "Do not store near heat or open flame" suggests ignitability.
  - "Do not store near..." indicates reactive qualities of the material.
  - "Use only in well ventilated room" is used for toxic fumes and reactive chemicals.
  - An important note: Even when a container is "empty," it is not really "empty" of all chemicals. There is some chemical residual on the sides and bottom of the container. Careful attention to disposal is very important.

# Step Two: Use & Reuse as Much as Possible

Usually, there's just that "little bit" left over from a job and it does not seem to be enough to bother saving. What to do? Try to use all of any hazardous material.

Some solvents and cleaners (like paint thinner) can be reused--store the cleaner in a covered jar and when the paint has settled reuse the solvent

Many hazardous materials are recyclable; motor oil and fuel oils are often collected by service stations for filtering and reuse. Although the complete use of a product is wise, give leftover products to others only if the material is in its original container with the label intact. Any "precautionary" information that may have accompanied the container should also be given to the new user.

# Step Three: Select *The Best Possible*Disposal Method

- 1. First and foremost, never burn or dump any hazardous materials on the ground.
- 2. NEVER dispose of any hazardous material "down the sink"! "Down the sink" includes letting hazardous materials run down the sewer system (draining an auto's oil into the gutter system or excessive water runoff from a pesticide treated yard) or down the toilet. If you have a septic tank, additional care must be taken.

When it comes to chemicals in the toilet, sink and other drains – cleaners that are intended for use in the toilet and sink are not a problem as long as they are used according to the directions on the label.

Also – never put grease, food or medicines down the drain.



- 3. Don't bury any containers or leftover chemicals.
- 4. Do not mix hazardous materials.
- 5. With aerosol cans, you can turn empty containers into the Classification Unit for best proper disposal. If the can is empty (or if the contents are no good), please take off the little sprayer button so we know it's not for re-issue.
- 6. It is illegal in Texas to put automobile-type batteries, oil or oil filters in the garbage. All autoparts stores accept these (sometimes for a small fee).

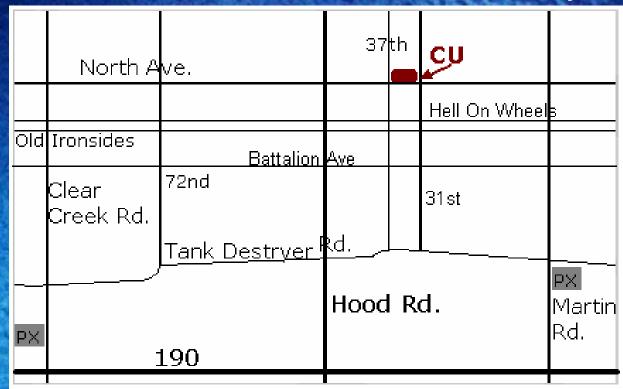
## What can you do with it?

- Please Turn it in to DPW-Household Hazardous Materials Collection Center, North Ave and 37th St. 288-7627
- Open M-F, 0730-1600 (closed for lunch 1130-1200)
- Free to you
- If a product is still good, we'll put it out for free-issue for other people

### **The Best Disposal Option:**



We can now accept your personal electronics (e-waste) for proper disposal. Computers, TVs, monitors, CD, DVD and VCR players, cell phones, calculators etc. Fort Hood's Classification Unit: The first step in protecting your health, welfare, environment and safety.



The End – Questions?